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1. AFTER RECEIPT REFTEL, WE ALSO RECEIVED SFM FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION REPORT, WHICH IMPACTS ON SECURITY GUARDS' FIRE-FIGHTING RESPONSIBILITIES. AS IT EVIDENTLY WILL BE SOME TIME BEFORE REPORT CAN BE FULLY IMPLEMENTED, WE BELIEVE SECURITY GUARD QUALIFICATIONS SHOULD CONTINUE STRESS THOSE FACTORS OUTLINED IN OUR 1841. WE HAVE SINCE RECEIVED A COPY OF SSM'S LETTER OF AUGUST 14 TO GREENVILLE ON GUARD QUALIFICATIONS WHICH COVERS THE BASIC SKILL REQUIREMENTS VERY WELL.

2. RE PARA 2D REFTEL I HAVE NO OBJECTION TO A VOLUNTEER DEFENSE FORCE TO ASSIST OUR SECURITY GUARDS IN THE EVENT THAT SFM COMES UNDER ATTACK. I AGREE SUCH A FORCE SHOULD BE ABLE TO FIGHT FIRES AND SERVE AS CONTROL WARDENS. AS A MATTER OF FACT THE FIREFIGHTING AND WARDEN FUNCTION MAY BE MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE DEFENSE CHORE. IT IS IMPERATIVE, HOWEVER, THAT THE QUESTION OF LIABILITY BE RESOLVED PRIOR TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SUCH A FORCE.

3. WE AGREE WITH PARAS 3 AND 4.
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4. RE PARA 6A. WE HAVE TWO STARLIGHT SCOPES AND NO BINOCULARS AND CHIEF OF PERATIONS HAS ONE PAIR ZEISS BINOCULARS. BOTH EAR-MARKED FOR OPERATIONAL PURPOSES. IN ADDITION, COMM/OPS HAS ONE PAIR OSHMAN AND ONE PAIR BINOLUX BINOCULARS FOR OPERATIONAL USE.

5. RE PARA 6E. DO YOU WISH US TO INITIATE DISCUSSIONS WITH E-SY HERE OR WILL YOU TAKE UP WITH GREENVILLE?

6. RE PARA 6F. WE PROPOSE EXPERIMENTING WITH CONCRETE BLOCKS TO DEVISE EFFECTIVE AND REASONABLY ATTRACTIVE ALTERNATIVE TO SANDBAGS.

7. RE PARA 6G. AS YOU WILL APPRECIATE THE KIND OF VEHICLE CONTROLS RECOMMENDED BY BROWN COULD, IF IMPLEMENTED FULLY, CREATE OPERATIONAL PROBLEMS. I WOULD PREFER CONTINUE HOLD ON THESE RECOMMENDATIONS UNTIL AN RSO ARRIVES.

8. RE PARA 6H. I BELIEVE YOUR PROPOSAL TO REPLACE THE UPPER PANES OF GLASS TO PROTECT OCCUPANTS AT THE WATCH STATIONS IS A GOOD ONE. I ASSUME THAT WHEN THE RSO ARRIVES HE WILL ADD EVEN MORE REQUIREMENTS SO WE MIGHT AS WELL HOLD UP UNTIL WE KNOW OUR TOTAL NEEDS.

9. PARA 6I. BROWN MAY BE ABLE CLARIFY FURTHER WHAT HE HAD IN MIND ON BUNKERS AT THE WATCH STATIONS. MY UNDERSTANDING WAS HE WAS THINKING OF A WELL-PREPARED SLIT TRENCH FORMATION WHICH WOULD GIVE THE WATCHSTANDERS ADDED PROTECTION IN EVENT OF AN AERIAL OR ARTILLERY ATTACK ON THE STATION ITSELF. I BELIEVE THIS IS AN EXCELLENT RECOMMENDATION THOUGH I SEE NO REASON TO CONSTRUCT AN ELABORATE OR EXPENSIVE BOMB SHELTER.

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10. IN SUMMARY, I BELIEVE PAT WE ARE FAIRLY CLOSE TOGETHER ON ACTIONS TO IMPROVE OUR SECURITY POSTURE. UNFORTUNATELY TOO MUCH OF THE BROWN PLAN IS BEING HELD UP UNTIL WE GET A PROFESYOONAL ON BOARD, BUT I DON'T SEE ANY WAY AROUND IT UNLESS WE ARE PREPARED TO WASTE CONSIDERABLE EFFORT AND MONEY. ANYTHING SSM CAN DO TO EXPEDITE THIS ASSIGNMENT WILL DO MORE THAN ANY OTHER THING TO IMPROVE THE SECURITY POSTURE OF THIS MISSION. WE CAN THEN GO TO WORK.
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